# SMOKE SIGNALS

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Dear Residents:

Summer has arrived and we all are ready to kick back a little from the routine of school year activity. Perhaps some of you have made plans for an exciting vacation while others have no immediate plans and look forward to home-made outdoor relaxation. As you read this, your new Village Board has begun its annual budget process for FY2013/14 and is in the early stages of planning a street repair program for our Village. Vehicle stickers are on sale now at the Village hall. School has ended and our graduates are already looking to the next phase of their education/or their lives. Our Clean Water report is included in this issue for your information. For some relevant details, please read on.

#### *FY2013/14 Budget*

The draft of our Fiscal year 2013/14 annual budget is available on line. The VBT began discussion of the budget at the Board meeting of June 13th and will continue it at the special Board meeting on June 27th. Although the budget process is a useful tool for the Village for planning purposes, it is not something we are required to have but is something we choose to do. We use it to gauge what we need to request in our Appropriations Ordinance which we must have. The draft budget shows expected revenues of \$4,024,806 and expenses of \$4,114,937 resulting in a projected deficit of \$90,131. However, a large portion of this deficit is attributable to the receipt of Cochise water main funds in the amount of \$71,250 during our prior fiscal year (so the money is in the bank so to speak) while the entire expense will occur during the new fiscal year. Accordingly, the net deficit at the time our budget discussions began was \$18,881. We expect to achieve at least a balanced budget or one in the "black". However, residents are reminded that to do this with the current revenue stream we have cut back spending (leaf program) and have forgone the hiring of a needed full time police officer and infrastructure repairs such as streets and curbs among other things. In arriving at the initial draft budget and going forward, the Board has to deal with an increase of \$88,000 in payments toward our 2009 debt certificate. The 2009 debt certificate was used to pay off a 2001 and 2003 debt certificate or the increase would have already occurred.

#### Road Repair Planning

At the June 13th meeting, I explained my thoughts and ideas for a road repair plan that would allow us to go forward with a village-wide street repairs.

Although no final formal action was taken at that meeting, my presentation was the first step in creating a Road Repair

and Maintenance Plan for the Village. The plan looks like this. First, we intend to have our Village Engineer provide us with an estimate of cost for surveying our streets to identify what needs to be done and the cost. Then, assuming we choose to follow through, the Village Engineer will complete the survey of streets and provide the required information. Next, the VBT with input from our residents (possibly through the use of an on-line/written survey) will determine the scope of the work to be completed and the cost. After that, the VBT will need to determine the cost of financing necessary to go forward with a plan and how to raise the funds to pay for it. There are several options that Village will need to choose from in this regard.

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One option is to seek a general property tax increase with a guarantee to residents of an earmark of funds from such an increase to go to pay for street maintenance. This would require another referendum possibly on the ballot next Spring. Another option is to pass a street bond referendum such as was done in 1996 that would allow the Village to raise money for streets and pay an increase in property taxes to repay the bond. When the bond is repaid, the property tax raise for this purpose would disappear. This would also require a ballot referendum that was approved by a majority of the voters. The 1996 road bond was paid off last year. The lesson from that is we are right back where we were in 1996 needing an infusion of funds to perform road maintenance.

A third option is to raise vehicle sticker rates. Currently, the Village sticker is \$50 per vehicle (passenger cars). We sell about 2800 stickers per year. We know that some scofflaws in the Village do not buy them (more about them later). An increase is likely to cause some more residents to avoid purchasing the stickers. Accordingly, based upon 2700 stickers sold per year, if the cost was raised to \$85 for a \$35 increase, the Village would gain \$94,500 per year that would allow us to borrow close to \$1 million and pay it off in 10 years or so. Again, the amount of the loan and the amount of any vehicle sticker increase would depend on the scope of the work to be performed and the length of time to repay. Once the initial work was done and loan repaid, the increase for the stickers should be earmarked for a continuing road maintenance program. The last option is to do nothing. The downside is that deteriorating streets will affect all of our property values. Certainly, that is not a pleasant picture.

Keep in mind that reductions in spending in other areas of our budget in combination with revenue raised by the meth-

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ods outlined above (such as some ratio of sticker increase + budget cuts + tax increase) can all be used to provide funds sufficient to pay for a road repair plan. Whatever the Village decides to do, I would like for us to insure that our plan be one that repairs the roads and provides for sufficient revenue to continue to do so on a regular basis in the future.

We need your support and input. Let me know what you think or what you would like to see by dropping a note or letter in our drop box or sending an e-mail to me at admin@indianheadpark-il.gov.

#### Vehicle Stickers

Hopefully, you have received your vehicle sticker renewal application by now. They were sent in mid-May. If not, you may stop in at the Village Hall and obtain one there. This year, the stickers are on sale from May 15th through July 15th. Citations will be issued beginning July 16th and the cost will be doubled. In connection with the VBT's discussion regarding road repairs, one trustee said that they believed that 40% of our residents do not buy vehicle stickers and the Village should crack down. While I agree that our vehicle sticker ordinance should be fully enforced, I think that most of our residents are law-abiding citizens and that the number of scofflaws is small but significant enough to be noticed. So, please purchase and display your vehicle stickers by the deadline to avoid the late fee and possible tickets. Our police will be extra vigilant in this regard.

In closing, I want to congratulate all of our graduates from kindergarten through PhD's and wish them well in their future pursuits. Their many accomplishments are a source of pride for our community. Please look for the Clean Water Report insert in this edition and have a wonderful 4th of July holiday!

"Oh, bring again my heart's content, Thou Spirit of the Summer-time!" (Song, by William Allingham, 1824-1889)

Respectfully,

Richard S. Andrews, mayor

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## Village of Indian Head Park 201 Acacia Drive Indian Head Park, IL 60525

Dear Indian Head Park Water Customer:

The Consumer Confidence report (CCR) rule requires all community water systems to provide reports to their customers on the quality of their drinking water. The Village of Indian Head Park in conjunction with the City of Countryside and the Chicago Water Department is providing the required information pertaining to source water monitoring for the period January 2012 through December 2012.

The Village of Indian Head Park has provided water meeting all the requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) drinking water standards. The following reports are being provided to help you better understand the quality of the water you consume and use on a daily basis. Consumers with medical conditions may use the detailed analysis provided by the City of Chicago to consult with their family doctors. Others may learn ways to better protect their children from the effects of lead in our environment, or how to conserve water in our daily lives. A well informed consumer is the best ally the Village has in providing clean, safe water to its customers.

Included in this report:

Village of Indian Head Park CCR

- ♦ 2012 Water Source & Quality Report
- ♦ 2012 Testing Summary Table
- ♦ 2012 Violation Data
- ♦ 2012 City of Chicago CCR
- ♦ 2012 Water Quality Data
- ♦ 2012 Source Water Assessment

If there are any questions, or if additional information is needed, please contact Edward Santen, Water/Public Works Superintendent at the Village of Indian Head Park Water Department at (708) 246-3154.

Sincerely, Edward R. Santen, Jr. Water/Public Works Superintendent

Special Note: The following information applies only to residents who are directly served by Indian Head Park water supply, not those served by the LaGrange Highlands Sanitary District.

# Village of Indian Head Park CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT Public Water Supply For The Monitoring Year 2012

#### Water Supply:

The Village of Indian Head Park purchased approximately 102 million gallons of Chicago water from the City of Countryside through a 12" supply main connected directly to the City of Countryside's distribution grid. This connection provides all the water required by the Village's local and retail customers. This water is received into a reservoir system and pumped to the Village's local and retail customer base. The water is sampled and chlorinated as required to maintain the quality as delivered by the City of Countryside. Chicago pumps water out of Lake Michigan, which is a surface water supply. Water Quality: The City of Chicago's Jardine Water Filtration Plant controls the water quality supplied to the Village of Indian Head Park. The Village of Indian Head Park provides additional chlorine as necessary to maintain the water quality as delivered to them. The CCR water quality data generated by the City of Chicago is included in this report for review by the water consumers.

#### Village Testing:

The Village of Indian Head Park tests the water supply for chlorine content on a daily basis to maintain the optimum levels for the consumers' needs. On a bi-monthly basis, bacteriological samples are taken. On a yearly basis, samples are submitted for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) Analysis and Haloacetic Acids (HAA) Analysis. Samples are also provided for lead and copper monitoring on a schedule established by the IEPA. All testing and reports are performed according to the requirements of IEPA. A copy of the IEPA Water Quality Report for Indian Head Park is included later in this report.

#### Violations:

The testing of the Village of Indian Head Park water supply produced no violations for their facilities during the calendar year 2012.

#### **Educational Information:**

- Orinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).
- (2) Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).
- Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).
- (4) The Village of Indian Head Park follows the water conservation recommendations of the IEPA on sprinkling restrictions which state that no sprinkling may be done between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m. during the period of May 15 to September 15.

The following lawn care recommendations are supplied by the University of Minnesota:

- Water deeply and infrequently. One inch of water per week is ideal.
- Over watering wastes your money and also removes plant nutrients from the soil.
- Excess watering can cause disease problems in your lawn.

#### **Sources of Contamination:**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that can be present in source water include:

- Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- O Inorganic Contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater run-off and residential uses.
- Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can come from gas stations, urban stormwater run-off and septic systems.
- Radioactive Contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Source Water Assessment: We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regular scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by the Village Hall or call the Water Department at (708) 246-3154. To view a summary of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl">http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl</a>. The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. The very nature of surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intake with no protection only dilution. This is the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois. Chicago's offshore intakes are located at a distance that shoreline impacts are not usually considered a factor on water quality. At certain times of the year, however, the potential for contamination exists due to wet weather flows and river reversals. In addition, the placement of the crib structures may serve to attract waterfowl, gulls, and terns that frequent the Great Lakes area, thereby concentrating fecal deposits at the intake and thus compromising the source water quality. Conversely, the shore intakes are highly susceptible to storm water run-off, marinas and shoreline point sources due to the influx of groundwater to the lake.

#### **Additional Information:**

For more information, contact Edward Santen, Water/Public Works Superintendent, of the Village of Indian Head Park at (708) 246-3154. The Village Board also meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the Municipal Facility. These meetings are open to the public.

#### About the Data:

**TURBIDITY** 

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

**LEAD** 

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing system. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

**SODIUM** There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If the level is greater than 20 mg/l and you are on a sodium restricted diet, you should consult a physician.

# 2012 Water Quality Data VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK

**Definitions**: MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety. MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology. AL: Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. TT: Treatment Technique or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Abbreviations:** nd - not detectable at testing limits. n/a - not applicable. ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter. ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter. ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter. ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter. NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water. %< 0.3 NTU Percent samples less than 0.3 NTU MFL - Million fibers per liter, used to measure asbestos concentration. mrem/yr - millirems per year, used to measure radiation absorbed by the body. pCi/l - picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity. # pos/mo - number of positive samples per month. % pos/mo - percent positive samples per month.

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Contaminant (units)	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Range of Detections	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contaminants	
Microbial Contaminants							_	
TOTAL COLIFORM BACTERIA (# pos/mo)	0	>1	0	nd-nd			Naturally present in the environment.	
FECAL COLIFORM AND E-COLI (# pos/mo)	0	0	nd	nd-nd			Human and animal fecal waste.	
Inorganic Contaminants								
COPPER (ppm)	1.3	AL=1.3	0	0 exceeding AL		9-31-11	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	
LEAD (ppb)	0	AL=15	5	0 exceeding AL		9-31-11	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.	
DISINFECTION/DISINFECTANT BY-PRODUCTS								
HAA5 (TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS) (ppb)	n/a	60	18.3	17.21-19.23			By-product of drinking water chlorination.	
TTHM'S (TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES) (ppb)	n/a	80	35.7	26.3 – 50.3			By-product of drinking water chlorination.	
CHLORINE (as CL2) (ppm)	4	4	.7	.625 - 0.8			Drinking water disinfectant.	

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UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS							
BROMODICHLOMETHANE (ppb)	n/a	n/a	11.1	n/a			By-product of drinking water chlorination.
CHLORFORM (ppb)	n/a	n/a	18.6	n/a			Used as a solvent for fats, oils, rubber, resins, a cleansing agent; found in fire extinguishers.
DIBROMOCHLOROMETHANE (ppb)	n/a	n/a	6.0	n/a			Used as a chemical reagent; an intermediate in organic synthesis.

## 2012 Water Quality Data CITY OF CHICAGO

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Microbial Contaminants FECAL COLIFORM AND E-COLI(# pos/mo)	0	0	0	n/a			Human and animal fecal waste.
TURBIDITY (%< 0.3 NTU )	n/a	TT	99.50%	99.50%-100.000%			Soil run-off.
TURBIDITY (NTU)	n/a	TT= 1NTUn	nax 0.86	n/a			Soil run-off.
Inorganic Contaminants BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.0204	0.0194 -0.0204			Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from Metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
COPPER (ppm)	1.3	AL=1.3	0.046 (90 <sup>th</sup> per	0 exceeding AL rcentile)			Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	0.9	0.837-0.852			Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
LEAD (ppb)	0	AL=15	6.6	1 exceeding AL			Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion
				(90th percentile)			of natural deposits.
NITRATE (AS NITROGEN)( ppm)	10	10	0.343	0.34-0.343			Run-off from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
State Regulated Contaminar SODIUM (ppm)	n <b>ts</b> n/a	n/a	7	6.9 - 7			Erosion of naturally occurring deposits. Used as water softener.

## **Scheduled Meeting Dates**

Village Board of Trustees: 7:30 p.m.: Thursday, July 11, 2013

Planning and Zoning Commission: 7:30 p.m.: No meeting scheduled at this time.

Fire and Police Commission: 7:00 p.m. No meeting scheduled at this time.

E-911 Board: 6:30 p.m. No meeting scheduled at this time.

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## Aging Care News

Aging Care Connections, at 111 W. Harris Avenue in



LaGrange, will be hosting a program "Healthy Eating for for older adults who would like to learn more about

nutrition and lifestyle changes that can promote better health. Attendees will learn how small changes in diet and lifestyle can make big differences in health and wellbeing. The program will be held on Fridays beginning July 12 through August 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. Barbara's Church, located at 4009-15 Prairie Avenue in Brookfield. The program is free, but registration is required. Please contact Aging Care Connections at (708) 354-1323 if you are interested in registering for the program. Aging Care Connections is a non-profit organization that provides programs and services for older adults to help them remain independent and informed regarding decisions in their lives. Aging Care Connections will also be hosting a program "Take Charge of Your Health" for people managing chronic illnesses. The program will begin on Wednesdays from July 10th to August 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the LaGrange Park District, 536 East Avenue in LaGrange. There is no cost to participate in the program but registration is required. Some of the topics to be covered include: coping with fatigue, exercising to maintain and improve strength, flexibility and endurance, using medications and communicating with family, friends and health professionals. This program is made possible through a grant from the U.S. Administration on Aging through the Illinois Department of Public Health and is cosponsored by Age Options.

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#### TEEPEE \*\*\* TOPICS

The Heritage Center Library is looking for someone who has 3 hours of time on certain Sundays to volunteer as a docent at the library. The hours are 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. that you can spend meeting with your neighbors or browsing for a great book for yourself. If you are interested, please call Jane Kuhn at (708) 246-0293.

Academic achievements: Congratulations to all of the following students from Indian Head Park: Mary DeMars was named to the Dean's list at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa for the spring semester. William Bailey, Thaddeus Rogozinski, Courtney Tank, Emily Pacella, Patrick Bailey and Luke Lopez were named to the honor roll at Fenwick High School. Taryn Kryza, Rachel Pellegrino, Anna Rafanelli, Cara Rafanelli and Michael Yu achieved status on the honor roll at Nazareth Academy.

Just a friendly reminder to residents that any contractors working at your home are required to obtain a "Contractor's Business License" from the Village of Indian Head Park prior to any work being conducted. This includes miscellaneous home improvement projects that may not require a building permit such as: siding, roofing, driveway work, cabinets, flooring, tree trimming, painting/decorating, paving, minor

electrical updates, landscaping, window replacement and other miscellaneous projects. A contractor business license application form may be printed off the Village Website under the Building Department link at www.indianheadpark-il.gov.

Our condolences to several families that lost loved ones recently. Eileen Costelloe born August 23, 1925 in Rylane Co Cork, Ireland, passed away peacefully surrounded by family. Eileen was the mother of Noreen Costelloe who serves as Chairperson of the Indian Head Park Planning and Zoning Commission. Robert William Schmidt, age 98, passed away peacefully at Plymouth Place in LaGrange Park. In 1960, Bob and his wife Vi built a home on Shabbona Road in Indian Head Park and lived there for 50 years. Bob served as a member of the Village Board in the 1960's and enjoyed playing bridge with IHP neighbors. Theresa Crowley also recently passed away. She was the mother of the late Police Chief Pat Crowley and mother-in-law of Mary Crowley who works in the Administration Offices. George Dvorak passed away on May 15, 2013. George and his wife were long time Indian Head Park residents, he was a patent attorney for 53 years, a past member of the Indian Head Park Planning and Zoning Commission and a co-chair of the Wilshire Green monthly discussion group.



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